HOUSE RESOLUTION 54 By Clabough

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Brenda Johnson on being recognized for her contributions to education.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the elected representatives of the state of Tennessee should pause to pay tribute to those exemplary citizens who have given unselfishly of themselves, their time and their talents to perpetuate the public good; and

WHEREAS, Brenda Johnson who was recently selected as one of the nation's 80 outstanding educators in Northern Life's Education's Unsung Heroes Awards program, is one such exemplary public servant, a teacher at Maryville High School and a voice of integrity in education; and

WHEREAS, the program recognizes kindergarten through 12th grade educators nationwide for their innovative teaching methods and ability to positively influence the children they teach; and

WHEREAS, Brenda Johnson's award comes at a time when President Clinton and others are calling for increased innovation in education; for her vision in pioneering new educational methods to create an enhanced learning atmosphere she is most worthy of commendation; and

WHEREAS, her project provides an educational partnership between kindergartners, first grade students and high school Spanish students, offering younger students the advantage of one-on-one tutoring and the older students an opportunity to teach and utilize their Spanish

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speaking skills, at the same time promoting an understanding of Spanish culture and language; and

WHEREAS, Brenda Johnson has always adhered to the common sense approach and has displayed the common touch in all endeavors, working well with old and young alike; and

WHEREAS, Brenda Johnson is a true representative of the "Volunteer State" and is the perfect example of a person totally committed to family and the highest ideals of public service and should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby honor Brenda Johnson for her meritorious service to the community and congratulate her on being selected as one of the nation's 80 outstanding educators and extend to her our best wishes for every future success in her educational endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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